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SUBJECT: COTTON CONTRACT PROBLEM

REF: A. STATE 0763247; B. STATE 077228

- 1. COPIES OF PROPOSED DRAFT LETTER AND ANNEX DELIVERED TO SECRETARY VIRATA AND TO MRS. REYES, DBP. AGATT DISCUSSED MAIN POINTS OF REF B.WITH REYES AND INFORMED HER THAT ADDITIONAL CCC FUNDS WOULD BE MADE AVAILABLE TO GOP, IF GOP COULD PROVIDE ASSURANCES AS SPECIFIED IN LETTER. AGATT EMPHASIZED THAT NO VALID CONTRACTS PRIOR TO AUTUST 1, 1974 COULD BE EXCLUDED.
- 2. IN VIEW OF TIGHT SCHEDULE FOR OPENING L/C'S AS PROPOSED IN 3-D REF B, GOP HAS BEEN URGED TO MOVE AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE ON APPROVAL OFLETTER AND ANNEX. IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT PROPOSED LETTER AND ANNEX BE SENT TO THE AMBASSADOR BY APRIL 18. WHILE REYES THOUGHT THIS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE, EMBASSY WILL HAVE A BETTER FEEL OF SITUATION AFTER MEETING WITH VIRATA, CHAIRMAN OF BOARD, DBP, AND AFTER HE HAS REVIEWED MATTER WITH MONETARY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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BOARD.

- 3. REGARDING POSSIBLE VISIT TECHNICAL TEAM SUGGESTED REF A, EMBASSY HAS NO OBJECTION TO VISIT, ALTHOUGHT IT HAS NOT DISCUSSED TEAM VISIT WITH GOP. SUGGEST TEAM TENTATIVELY PLAN VISIT MANILAAPRIL 28-30.
- 4. DBP IN REVIEW OF LETTER, ANNEX AND ACSA MARCH LISTING HAS RAISED FOLLOWING:

A. IN SOME CASES THERE DISCREPANCY BETWEEN 3-D OF LETTER, ANNEX AND ACSA LIST. FOR EXAMPLE, ON ACSA LIST ARTEX, SALE NO. 3272 SHOWS DATE OF SHIPMENT MAR-APRIL 1974 WHICH ACCORDING TO LETTER L/C'S SHOULD BE OPENED DURING PERIOD I. YET IN ANNEX, THESE SHIPMENTS ARE FOR PERIOD III

B. ON ACSA LIST, SALE NO. 8093, GENERAL TEXTILES, CONTRACTED BALES TOTAL 2000. ANNEX CALLS FOR L/C'S TO BE OPENED ON 1250 BALES. ARE WE CORRECT IN ASSUMING REMAINING 750 BALES SCHEDULED FOR SHIPMENT AFTER JULY 31, 1975 AND THEREFORE EXCLUDED FROM ANNEX.

C. WHILE LITTON MILLS NOT INCLUDED ACSA MARCH LIST OR ANNEX, IT DOES IN EFFECT HAVE OVERDUE CONTRACTS. DBP WANTS TO KNOW HOW TO HANDLE THESE CONTRACTS.

5. APPRECIATE WASHINGTON COMMENTS ASAP. SULLIVAN

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